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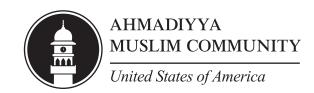
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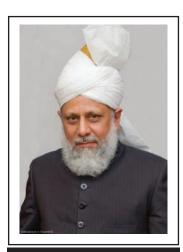
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(peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)

'Alaihis-Salam (may peace be upon him)

pleased with him/her)

His mercy on him)

Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala Bi-Nasrihil-'Aziz

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Verse numbers in the references from the Holy Qur'an count Tasmiya at the beginning of a chapter as the first verse.

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FROM THE HOLY QUR'AN

"And We brought the children of Israel across the sea; and Pharaoh and his hosts pursued them wrongfully and aggressively, till, when the calamity of drowning overtook him, he said, 'I believe that there is no God but He in Whom the children of Israel believe, and I am of those who submit to Him.'

What! Now! While thou wast disobedient before this and wast of those who create disorder.

So this day We will save thee in thy body alone that thou mayest be a sign to those who come after thee. And surely, many of humankind are heedless of Our Signs."

The Holy Qur'an (10:91-93)

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SAYING OF THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD (sa)

The narrator states:

"The Holy Prophet (sa) said: 'Prophethood shall remain among you as long as Allah shall will. He will bring about its end and follow it with Khilafat on the precepts of Prophethood for as long as He shall will and then bring about its end. A tyrannical monarchy will then follow and will remain as long as Allah shall will and then come to an end. There will follow thereafter monarchial despotism to last as long as Allah shall will and come to an end upon His decree. There will then emerge Khilafat on precept of Prophethood.'

The Holy Prophet said no more."

(Masnad Ahmad and Mishkat al-Masabih, Kitab al-Riqaaq)

"And He [Allah] reveals not His secrets to any except the one whom He chooses, namely, His Messenger." (1)

An event foretold by a religious person is called a "prophecy." In the religious world a prophecy is more than a guess. A prophecy is the authentic proof for the truthfulness of a prophet, a true messenger of God.

"An abundance of revealed knowledge about matters inaccessible to human beings is a sign by which Divine Messengers may be distinguished from others. Such Messengers receive crystal-clear wahy (revelation) free from all confusion. They are helped by convincing signs and are informed about great events before they happen. They are commissioned by God. The Holy Qur'an teaches that knowledge of God's secrets is granted only to God's Messengers. To deny this is to deny all prophets. Prophets have ever presented God-given knowledge of secrets as proof of their authenticity. The Bible teaches that the sign of a false prophet is that he should say something in the name of God and this should not come true" (2).

In the modern era atheists put religion on trial by presenting criteria to check the genuine-ness or otherwise of the prophecies mentioned in the religious scriptures. Mr. Douglas E. Krueger, an atheist, on Pages 96-98 of his book, "What is Atheism – A Short Introduction" has presented the following five criteria to judge a prophecy: "Some criteria are needed in order to distinguish cases of lucky guesses from those of true prophecy. Let us define a genuine prophecy as one that satisfies the following five criteria:

- 1. The prophecy must be clear, and it must contain sufficient detail to make its fulfillment by a wide variety of possible events unlikely.
- 2. The event that can fulfill the prophecy must be unusual or unique.
- 3. The prophecy must be known to have been made before the event that is supposed to be its fulfillment.

- 4. The event foretold must not be of the sort that could be the result of an educated guess.
- 5. The event that fulfills the prophecy cannot be staged, or the relevant circumstances manipulated, by those aware of the prophecy in such a way as to intentionally cause the prophecy to be fulfilled" (3)

The Holy Qur'an contains many prophecies spread over its 114 chapters. Some have already come true, some have not, yet. One of its root systems is as follows: it comprises "warnings and good news, promises and sanctions, world of the hereafter and miracles, illustrations and prophecies which foster faith, and such stories as serve to admonish, warn or convey good news" (4).

In this issue of the Muslim Sunrise, we present not only the prophecies foretold in the Holy Qur'an, prophecies made by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa), and by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, but also show unequivocal evidence of the fulfilment of these prophecies according to all the criteria above, and more.

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Prophecies in the Holy Qur'an

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (as)

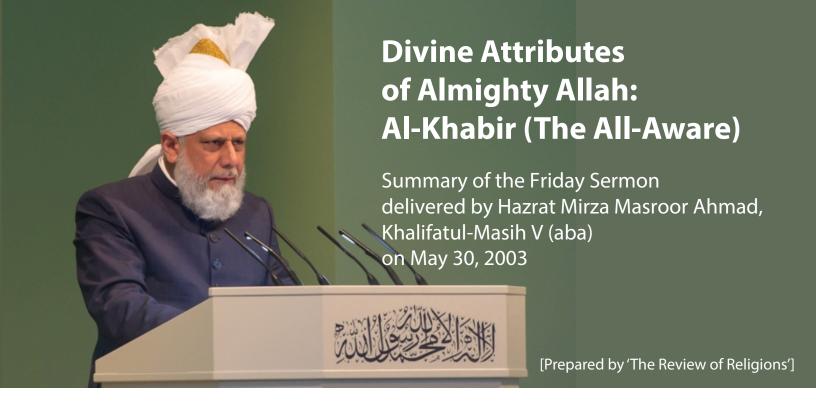
"The stories set out in the Holy Qur'an are in reality prophecies which have been stated in the form of stories. In the Torah, they are merely stories but in the Holy Qur'an, every story is a prophecy concerning the Holy Prophet [peace and blessings of Allah be on him] and Islam and these prophecies have been very clearly fulfilled.

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In continuation of the series of Friday Sermons on the Divine attribute of Al-Khabir (The All-Aware), Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) began by citing a verse of Surah Al-An'am (1). Reading from the commentary on the verse by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, his Holiness (aba) explained that the person of God is hidden behind veils upon veils and that mere 'intellect' cannot discover Him; human sight and intelligence cannot comprehend His Unity (Tawheed). His Unity can only be established in one's heart by rejecting external and internal 'false gods.' God Himself bestows the light to the eyes, which enables discernment; otherwise, one is powerless to see Him with the physical means of sight.

His Holiness (aba) recited another related Qur'anic verse from Surah Al-Hashr: "O ye who believe! Fear Allah, and let every soul look to what it sends forth for the morrow. And fear Allah; verily Allah is Well-Aware of what you do" (2).

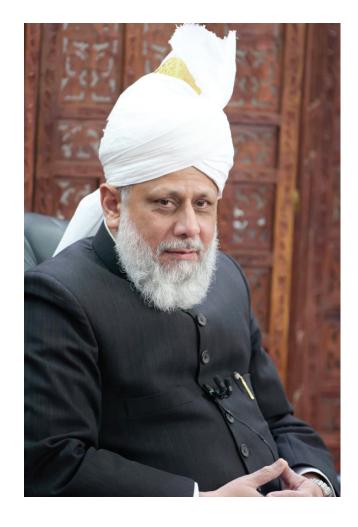
His Holiness (aba) read out several extracts from the writings of Hazrat Hazrat Maulana Hakeem Noor-ud-Deen (ra), Khalifatul-Masih I, on the verse, explaining the importance of making preparation in the present day for the day yet to come, when one's soul will stand accountable in front of Allah for all that it did, in that Allah is Well-Aware of what we do. The root of taqwa (righteousness) is when one remembers that Allah knows well all that we do in every action and conversation. Making a comparative study of Biblical and Qur'anic teachings, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih I (ra) writes that the Bible puts emphasis on the fact that today is important and that tomorrow will take care of itself. In contrast, the

Holy Qur'an prepares us for the present as well as the world yet to come and teaches that each person has a nafs (soul) and the nafs is more important than the body, and that thenafs should be prepared for seeking salvation in the akhirah (the Day to Come)!

Stressing upon the observance of tagwa, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) admonished members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community (Jama'at) to be on their guard and be fair-minded in domestic relations, especially the sensitive situation between the mother-in-law and daughter-in-law, and the sisters'-in-law. He prayed for the Ahmadi-Muslim homes in that they uphold taqwa in matters associated with relations within marriage, mainly because the verse Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) elucidated (59:19) is one of the verses recited during the Nikah sermon. His Holiness (aba) also cited the verses of the Holy Qur'an to explain the Divine attribute of "Al-Khabir" (3). Referring to the commentary of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II (ra), his Holiness (aba) further elaborated the meaning of "Al-Khabir" in that it also means that Allah is not only "Aware" but that He also has the power to punish and reward us in the end. 'Divine Awareness' is on both levels, in the "knowing" as well as "in taking appropriate action."

As regards the prophecies mentioned in the Holy Qur'an that have materialized in the current age, His Holiness (aba) related Verse 8 of Chapter 81 of the Holy Qur'an and extensively commented on it with references to sayings of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV (rh) and the Promised Messiah (as) stating the application of this prophecy on the formation of zoos, travel by sea in and

other fast systems of transportation, use of instant communication equipment, such as telephone, television, and internet. Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) spoke of the globalization of the world and, as a consequence, all the means of Tabligh being put together in our age to take the message to the world. Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) explained that a Surah revealed during the Meccan years of hardship and persecution speaks with great certainty of the Holy Prophet's (sa) triumphant return to Mecca (4). He also cited the prophetic Hadith where the Holy Prophet (sa) spoke of re-establishment of Khilafat on the precept of Prophethood and the Heavenly signs to recognize the time of the Mahdi (as). Several prophecies of the Promised Messiah (as) were also presented, especially about the rising of the sun from the West and Islam being the religion of the Caucasian race. In the end, his Holiness (aba) asked all Ahmadi-Muslims living in the West to work hard to ensure a fitting fulfillment of this prophecy.



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"Prophethood shall remain among you as long as Allah wills. He will bring about its end and follow it with Khilafat on the precepts of prophethood for as long as He wills and then bring about its end. Kingship shall then follow, to remain as long as Allah wills and then come to an end. There shall then be monarchical despotism which shall remain as long as Allah wills and come to an end upon His decree. There will then emerge Khilafat on the precepts of prophethood."

(Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal, Kitab al-Riqaq, Bab al-Andhar wa al-Tahdhir)

Prophecies of the Holy Qur'an

The Holy Qur'an describes many prophecies, scientific as well as non-scientific. The Holy Qur'an contains hundreds of prophecies covering all walks of life and all times to come. Many of them were fulfilled during the lifetime of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa). Some from both categories will be described briefly in this article.

The Knowledge of the Unseen is of particular interest to all humans. Soothsayers, astrologists, palm readers passionately share what shall happen in the future. The Prophets of God share their knowledge and views on the events to come and are inspirational and accurate in their presentation. Allah describes this process in the Holy Qur'an as follows: "Allah is the knower of the Unseen; and He reveals not His secrets to anyone, except to him He chooses, namely a Messenger of His. And then He causes an escort of guarding angels to go before him and behind him" (1).

Prophecies are inspirational forecasts and predictions made by the Prophets and Messengers of God. They are moving and accurate to the letter as they serve as evidence that these men are indeed Messengers of Allah.

For the present article, we classify them as follows:

- 1. Prophecies that were made and fulfilled during the life of the Holy Prophet (sa);
- 2. The fulfilled predictions after the life of the Holy Prophet (sa):
 - a) Non-Scientific events,
 - b) Scientific discoveries/events;
- 3. Prophecies that await the fulfillment.

Prophecies fulfilled during the life of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa)

During the life of the Holy Prophet (sa), staunch enemies of Islam died, as was prophesied long before their death, including Abu Lahab. The Arab News dated 27 June 2022 wrote: "Abu Lahab lived for 12 years after the declaration of Islam and saw many leading personalities like his [Prophet Muhammad (sa)1 brother (Amir) Hamza and (Amīrul-Mu'minīn) 'Umar bin Khattab embracing Islam, but he never did. So, it was a good chance for him to embrace Islam and thus challenge the words of the Holy Qur'an. And how could he do that when the Almighty Allah had proclaimed it?" (2). Professor Gary Miller of Canada, accepted Islam by reflecting on Surah Lahab, as discussed in his book "The Amazing Qur'an" (3).

Anwer Mahmood Khan

The victory of Makkah ('Mecca')

The Holy Qur'an describes the victory of Makkah in verse 32 of Surah Ar-Ra`d: "Have not the believers yet come to know that, if Allah had enforced His will, He could have surely guided all mankind? And as for those who disbelieve, disaster shall not cease to befall them for what they have wrought or to alight near their home, until the promise of Allah comes to pass. Surely, Allah fails not in His promise" (4).

Commenting on this verse, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (ra), the second worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, wrote: In spite of the many signs the disbelievers had witnessed and the many reverses they had suffered at the hands of Muslims, they refused to see the truth till at the head of ten thousand devoted followers or, to use the words of the Bible, "ten thousand saints," the Holy Prophet marched towards Makkah and encamped "near their home," and with his triumphant entry into that city the power of pagan Arabia was completely broken and its glory departed forever and all vestiges of unbelief and idolatry disappeared from the country" (5).

Migration from Makkah

The Holy Qur'an describes the prophecy of migration from Makkah in verses 1 and 2 of Surah Al-Fajr: a) by the Dawn, b) and by ten nights (6).

Commentary by Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), Khalifatul Masih II: "The Dawn' may mean the Holy Prophet's Migration to Medina with which ended the ten dark nights or ten years of persecution of the Holy Prophet and his righteous and noble Companions at Mecca" (7).

Return to Makkah:

The Holy Qur'an says in Surah Al-Qasas: "Most surely He Who has made the teaching of the Qur'an binding on thee will bring thee back to thy place of return. Say, "My Lord knows best who brings the guidance, and who is in manifest error" (8).

This prophecy is described in the Five-Volume Commentary: "It embodied a great prophecy, viz. that the Holy Prophet one day will have to leave Mecca and then eventually he will come back to it as a victor and conqueror, and the fulfilment of this mighty prophecy under extraordinary circumstances will show who has brought the guidance, and who is in manifest error" (9).

Prophecies fulfilled after the demise of the Holy Prophet (sa)

It was prophesied that Pharaoh's body will be saved and preserved: "So, this day We will save thee in thy body alone that thou mayest be a Sign to those who come after thee. And surely, many of mankind are heedless of Our Signs" (10). This prophecy is fulfilled as the Pharoah's body was preserved and currently lies in a Cairo Museum. In the Five-volume commentary we read: "It is remarkable that the Qur'an alone speaks of this fact. The Bible makes no mention of it, nor does any book of history. But in how wonderful a manner the word of God has proved true! After the lapse of more than 3,000 years the body of Pharaoh has been discovered and it now lies in a preserved state in a museum at Cairo" (11).

Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV (rh), commented in his book "Revelation Rationality Knowledge and Truth": "All that the Bible mentions of Pharaoh and his pursuing army are that each of them was drowned without exception. Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, and all the army of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained. It should be especially noted here that contrary to this Qur'anic statement, the Biblical account does not as much hint at the possibility of the retrieval of Pharaoh's body: 'not so much as one of them remained.' Hence, until the Qur'an mentions the saving of Pharaoh's body with the purpose that the posterity may learn their lesson from it, no human source of history had ever referred to it" (12).

Prophecies relating to Scientific facts

The Holy Qur'an says about the Universe and its Water Cycle:

1. About Perfect Balance and equilibrium in the Universe: In Surah Ar-Rahman we read: "And the heaven He has raised high and set up a measure. That you may not transgress the measure" (13). This verse reveals perfect harmony and balance in the Universe, and we are told not to disturb this balance. Various scientists have extensively studied this unique fact of nature and have only recently declared that "The Universe is fine-tuned, and our existence is the proof," is the headline of "Forbes" in which the science editor writes: "The fact that our Universe has such a perfect balance between the expansion rate and the energy density, today, yesterday, and billions of years ago, is a clue that our Universe really is finely tuned. Moreover, with robust predictions about the spectrum, entropy, temperature, and other properties concerning the density fluctuations that arise in inflationary scenarios, and the verification found in the Cosmic Microwave Background and the Universe's large-scale structure, we even have a viable solution" (14).

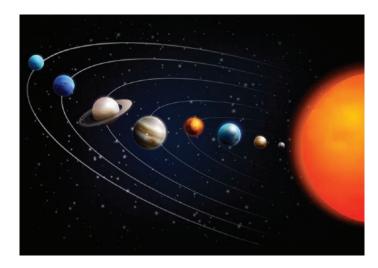
2. Another incredible fact of the Water Cycle sheds light on the same balance. It is empirical proof of the above fact that 423 trillion meters of water evaporates from the oceans, lakes, and rivers, and the same amount comes down in the form of rain, snow, hail, and sleet (15). The total amount of water remains constant irrespective of the station. The five steps of the water cycle presented in the Qur'an are evaporation, condensation/cloud formation, precipitation, lake formation, and spring formation. The Qur'an says: "And We sent down water from the sky according to measure, and We caused it to stay in the earth, and surely it is We Who determine its taking away" (16). And "It is Allah Who sends the winds so that they raise a cloud. Then He spreads it in the sky as He pleases and places layer upon layer, and thou seest the rain from its midst. And when He causes it to fall on whom He pleases of His servants, behold! they rejoice" (17).

Facts presented 14 centuries ago are now being proven to be correct

The Sun is moving in its orbit: It is not for the Sun to overtake the moon, nor can the night outstrip the day. All of them float in an orbit (18). The University of California, Santa Barbara Science Line, in a Question-and-Answer forum of 1998, writes: "The Sun is moving around the center of our galaxy, the Milky Way, once every 250 million years. The planets tag along with the Sun. Because the gravity of the Sun is so large, the planets revolve about it much as the moon revolves around the earth. But all these motions are occurring at the same time...so really the moon like the earth is going around the Sun at the same time the earth moves about the Sun, at the same time the Sun moves around the center of the Milky Way, at the same time the milky way galaxy moves apart from other galaxies, as part of the expansion due to the big bang" (19).

Tracks in the skies

The Qur'an says in Surah Adh-Dhariyat: "And by the heaven





Tracks in the skies

The Qur'an says in Surah Adh-Dhariyat: "And by the heaven full of tracks" (20). This phenomenon is being manifested in two ways: 1) The tracks are the various orbits in which celestial objects revolve around an axis that itself revolve around another. 2) In our daily observation, the air traffic controller is charting the pathways of all the planes flying in the skies (21).



Pain receptors in the human skin

"Those who disbelieve in our Signs, We shall soon cause them to enter Fire. As often as their skins are burnt up, We shall give them in exchange for other skins that they may continue to taste the punishment. Allah is Mighty and Wise (22). It is inferred from this verse that the human skin is much more sensitive than the flesh. This verity has now been discovered by the Nobel Prize winners David Julius and Ardem Patapoutian for their discoveries of receptors for temperature and touch (23).

Honey - A cure and healing for mankind

The Holy Qur'an describes in Surah An-Nahl about the wonders of honey: "Then eat of every kind of fruit, and follow the ways of thy Lord that have been made easy for thee. There comes forth from their bellies a drink of varying hues. Therein is cure for men. Surely, in that is a Sign for a people who reflect" (24). Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (rh) described in his book "Revelation, Rationality, Knowledge and Truth": "Allah declares that He revealed to the Honey Bee to manufacture honey, and this product has healing and cure for many diseases. As of today, in over 20 ailments, honey is frequently used and is considered antibacterial, anti-viral, and a cure for many severe infections. A British scientist found honey as a cure for the rare eye disease known as Blepharoconjunctivitis, or Starpearls, which was considered incurable; it was cured by the application of honey (25).

Unfulfilled Prophecies in the Holy Qur'an

The Holy Qur'an says in Surah Ash-Shura: "And among His Signs is the creation of the heavens and the earth, and of whatever living creatures He has spread forth in both. And He has the power to gather them together whenever He pleases" (26).

In the Five-volume commentary, we read: "It was reserved for the Qur'an to disclose this great and marvelous scientific truth as the words of this verse, viz. "Whatever living creatures He has spread forth in both" show. Indeed, the creation of the heavens and the earth and what living creatures exist in them and the wonderful order that pervades the whole universe constitute an infallible testimony to the knowledge and power of God the Almighty Who has revealed the Qur'an and Who would bring together the creatures of the heavens and the earth whenever in His infallible wisdom He would deem fit" (27).

Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II (ra), wished for the fulfillment of a prophecy of the Holy Qur'an

The Holy Qur'an says in Surah An-Naba': "And everything have We recorded in a Book" (28). We are able to accurately record the current voices of people in various devices and can play them back. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (ra) expressed his wish that in the near future, some devices might be created that could retrieve the sounds of the past especially the voice of our beloved master Holy Prophet (sa). The author of this article wrote a note to Bill Gates asking him about the possibility of such an invention, he responded in the affirmative. I pray that this wish of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (ra) come to fruition.

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The Distant Mosque: The Holy Qur'an and the Prophecy of Al-Aqsa

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The Thirteen-century-long presence of the beautiful Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem is a testament to the history of Islam being foundational to the history of Jerusalem. Today, the city is the center of a decades-long international debate and, unfortunately, even violent conflict. Religious discourse is often evoked as justification for this controversy, but in doing so, religion becomes diluted in propaganda which only serves to harm the innocent and indeed can lead many astray from religion. This inevitably leads to the reproduction of propaganda myths wrongly attributed to religion. As such, it is a timely reminder to consider what the Holy Qur'an, the very word of God, according to Muslims, says about the region known today as The Holy Land.

The Holy Land is where the Prophet Moses (as) led the Israelites after escaping the Pharaoh's tyranny and it was home to the Prophets Abraham, Isaac, Lot, Solomon, Ezekiel, and Jesus amongst others (on whom all be peace). One may add, though he never stepped foot physically in the land, the name of the Prophet Muhammad (sa) to this list.

Isra (Meraj) the incident of the Journey of the Night, holds an immense status in Islam and is narrated both by the Holy Qur'an and by the companions of the Holy Prophet (sa). It is the night on which the Holy Prophet (sa) traveled to Jerusalem.

The Holy Qur'an states: "Glory be to Him Who carried His servant by night from the Sacred Mosque to the Distant Mosque, the environs of which We have blessed, that We might show him some of Our Signs. Surely, He alone is the Hearing, the Seeing" (1).

The Sacred Mosque, mentioned in this verse, is in Makkah, and the Distant Mosque which did not yet exist in any physical form was to become one day what we know as Al-Aqsa Mosque, which translates as The Distant Mosque.

It is often confusing to some that the Journey to Jerusalem (Isra) happened in the same instance of the ascension to Heaven (Meraj), hence the combining of Isra Meraj. However, the Five-Volume Commentary of the Holy Qur'an written by Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), clarifies this. He notes that there are three categories of the way in which the journeys have been referred to: "All the different reporters

of this incident may be placed in three categories: (a) those who speak of the Prophet's Ascension direct to heaven and make no mention of his Journey to Jerusalem; (b) those who speak first of his Journey to Jerusalem and then of his Ascension to heaven; and (c) those who only speak of His Journey to Jerusalem and make no mention at all of his Ascension to heaven. Of the reporters of this last group, there is a goodly number who say expressly that the Prophet returned to Mecca after his Journey to Jerusalem" (2).

This clarifies that the two events happened separately, otherwise there would be mention of the ascension to heaven in the same narrations that mention the journey to Jerusalem. However, as the ascension happened on a later occasion, there exist narrations of only a journey to Jerusalem.

Now we come to the question of the significance of the term 'Land of the Prophets' also extending to include the Holy Prophet (sa). This journey was a vision of the Holy Prophet (sa) in which he saw the Prophets Abraham (as), Moses (as), and Jesus (as). Indeed, a great prophecy regarding Islam is then associated with this vision. Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), in his commentary, explains this prophecy and its completion: "We learn from the Ahadith that when the Holy Prophet spoke of his Night Journey to Jerusalem, he was asked to give a description of the Temple at Jerusalem. The Prophet is reported to have said that at that time God presented before his eyes an embodied representation of the Temple and he was thus able to describe it as demanded of him [...] His journey to the Distant Mosque meant his Migration to Medina where he was to build a Mosque which was destined to become later the Centre of all Faiths and Dispensations and the Holy Prophet's seeing himself in the Vision leading other Prophets of God in Prayers signified that the new Faith Islam was not to remain confined to the place of its birth but was to spread all over the world and the followers of all religions were to join its fold. His going to Jerusalem in the Vision may also be understood to mean that he was to be given dominion over the territory in which Jerusalem was situated. This prophecy was fulfilled in the Caliphate of Umar" (3).

The mosque is built atop the ruins of The Second Temple, which was destroyed by the Romans, and shows the

fulfillment of the vision of the Holy Prophet (sa) indicating that Islam shall spread beyond Arabia and there shall be a need to pray in all corners of the world, where further 'distant' mosques will also be built. In the words of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), the vision showed: "The Prophet's Migration to Medina served as a prelude to the glorious future of Islam which was then hidden from the eyes of the world and thus God's great signs were manifested" (4). Indeed today, fourteen centuries later, Islam is the second-largest religion with over 1.8 billion Muslims across the world. It spans from the Far East across to the West and from North to South. Islam is also the fastest-growing religion, with the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community being the fastest-growing sect within Islam. Indeed, this is all a fulfillment of thevision of the Holy Prophet (sa).

While it is a shame that today we see so much horror and conflict in the region, the reality is that being the 'Land of the Prophets', it is a place of immense importance to all believers of these prophets, regardless of religion. It is immensely sad to see such a beautiful and meaningful place be ravaged and pillaged, especially in the name of religion. Indeed, no true religion of God would justify the heinous crimes that are reported. The vision of the Holy Prophet (sa) indicated the spread of Islam, however, looking deeper, we must consider that the word 'Islam' means peace. As such, it is a reminder to Muslims, and to all followers of the Prophets who belonged to this land, that we must also be advocates to spread peace. It is only then that this Holy Land will truly be honored.



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Prophecies revealed by God to the Promised Messiah (as)

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The world's exposure to weather calamities is inescapably increasing. Last year, the United States experienced 20 different climate and weather disasters, which have led to at least 688 deaths (1). More than half of the destruction was due to four named tropical storms, Elsa, Fred, Ida, and Nicholas. The calamities which affected the entire world included earthquakes, flash floods, extreme rainfall, freeze warnings, bomb cyclones, drought, and wildfire. The waters rose, the rain was incessant, the wind blew away the rooftops, and the ground under our feet shook, cracked, and left destruction beyond our comprehension.

In March 2022, more than 60 tornadoes swept through Louisiana, including one deadly twister that caused destruction in New Orleans (2). Residents witnessed another calamity that flooded every house in the parish, as they had seen in Hurricane Katrina in 2005. In northeast India and Bangladesh, heavy rainfalls caused massive floods that demolished cities In June 2022 in which 18 people died, and 3,000 villages and croplands were submerged (3).

The heavy destruction caused by earthquakes and severe rainy conditions challenges human survival. For example, in February 2022, an earthquake shook the West Pasaman Regency, West Sumatra (Indonesia), killing 7, injuring hundreds, and leaving thousands homeless (4). The quake shook buildings for over a minute and was severe enough to cause residents to flee and evacuate the area. In Afghanistan, another earthquake with a magnitude of 5.9 struck on June 22, 2022, and killed more than 1,000 people (5). To date, more than 1,600 have been injured, and the toll from the quake makes it one of the deadliest in decades. On top of all this, armed conflicts and hostility between countries seem unstoppable to the ordinary residents, causing fear, anxiety, and pain.

In February 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine, escalating a conflict that had been fermenting for a long time, disturbing people all over the globe. The fiercest attacks are being conducted via missile volleys, thermobaric rockets, and hypersonic missiles. In Mariupol alone, officials have reported over 21,000 civilians dead. Sievierodonetsk, a city in the eastern region of Luhansk that has become the focus of Russia's attacks, has undergone roughly 1,500 casualties (6). Some reporters claim to give the "real" number of deaths, seemingly much higher. Continuous

shelling and airstrikes have deserted towns, and millions of Ukrainians have fled the country.

Another war still going on between political parties in Ethiopia escalated in November 2020; the violence has engulfed the neighboring countries of Sudan and Somalia. The war caused more than 9,000 deaths, while other sources report more than 50,000 (7). The war in Yemen vanished from the newspapers last year but actually worsened through mass starvation, killing thousands, mostly women and children. Overall, worldwide, the suffering due to wars is at a record high (8).

At such times of adversity, the survival of humankind has become unpredictable. A sense of frustration and despair may make many complain as they feel engulfed in grief, pain, and sorrow; yet this is also a crucial moment to self-reflect and to recognize God and implore His mercy. Remembrance of God should not only be done during times of hardship and suffering; it is far more beneficial to have made a conscious effort to honor Him and to show our gratitude for His countless bounties during times of ease, and to establish a strong personal connection with Him. As stated in the Holy Qur'an: "And when waves engulf them like so many coverings, they call upon Allah, in full sincerity of faith; but when He brings them safely to land, then some of them keep to the right course. And none denies Our Signs save every treacherous, ungrateful person" (9). This verse means that only some take the right course and become true believers, while others fail to realize gratitude after getting protection from their Lord.

Many calamities were foretold by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi of the Latter Days, who was born on February 13, 1835, in the small Indian village of Qadian. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, warned us repeatedly about these same earthquakes, wars, and plagues, which have been destroying the lives of humanity since then.

The coming of this Messiah is prophesied in the Holy Our'an:

The Holy Qur'an says: "And He [Allah] reveals not His secrets to any except the one whom He chooses, namely, His Messenger" (10).

The Holy Qur'an also says: "He it is Who has sent His Messenger





partners with God hate it" (11).

Holy Qur'an; and through its fulfillment, it was to forever serve God's creation did not recognize the Creator. God states: "A as a living testimony of its truthfulness and the universality of warner came unto the world, but the world accepted him not, its message.

Commenting on this verse in his grand exegesis, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), the second worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, writes: "Most commentators of the Qur'an are agreed that this verse applies to the Promised Messiah in whose time all religions will make their appearance and the superiority of Islam over all of them will be established" (12).

Unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they had been, before, in manifest misguidance; And among others from among them who have not yet joined them. He is the Mighty, the Wise" (13).

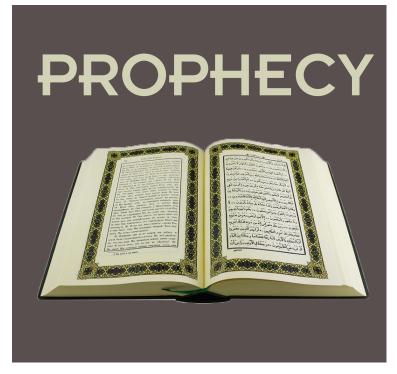
Mahmud Ahmad (ra) expounds:

"The verse signifies that the Message of the Holy Prophet (sa) was meant not only for the Arabs among whom he was raised but for all non-Arabs as well, and not only for his contemporaries but also for the coming generations till the end of time. Or the meaning may be that the Holy Prophet (sa) will be raised among another people who have not yet joined his immediate followers. The reference in the verse and in a well-known saying of the Holy Prophet (sa) is to the Second Advent of the Holy Prophet in the person of the Promised Messiah in the Latter Days" (14).

God Almighty showed many signs supporting the claims of the Promised Messiah (as). One of the signs He manifested in support of him was the sudden appearance of plague in the province of Punjab, India. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) prophesied it in 1898, and the very next year, it broke out, wiping out thousands of villages and cities. The prophecy from God stated (to Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as)): "You and those who dwell within the four walls of your house; those who unconditionally follow you and are obedient to you, and who on account of true righteousness have become devoted to you, shall all be safeguarded against the plague. This will be a sign of God in the people. But those who do not follow you completely are not of you. Be not anxious on their account."

with the guidance and the Religion of truth, that He may cause (15). Indeed, God protected His faithful followers; this is one of it to prevail over all religions, even if those who associate the many accounts of God's mercy and the proven truth of the Messiah's identity.

This indeed was a grand prophecy forever preserved in the The Promised Messiah (as) warned about severe earthquakes if yet God will accept him and demonstrate his truthfulness with mighty onslaughts" (16). This warner was the Messiah of the Latter Days, and God did not wipe him out; instead, he proved that he was the truthful prophet by supporting his legacy and works. Until now, a system of a true caliphate (Khilafat) is continuing after him, accentuating the success of his arrival. God revealed the following to the Promised Messiah (as): "I shall bless thee, so much so that kings shall seek blessings from thy garments" (17). The Promised Messiah (as) warned humankind of an earthquake, but most failed to listen and The Qur'an also states: "He it is Who has raised among the thus, suffered the consequences. As people were still failing to recognize their Messiah, and most importantly, their Creator, God informed Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) of another impending earthquake, one which would be of the utmost severity, and said to him: "After the sign of that first earthquake which struck on April 4, 1905, about which a warning was given a long time before its occurrence, God has again informed me that another severe earthquake will strike in the spring season. Those will be Under the commentary of this verse, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin the days of spring'. Again, the spring came, and again the Word of God was fulfilled" (18). Thus, another massive earthquake was bound to occur and did occur. The righteous followers of the Messiah (as) and the God-fearing people were saved from it. These and other countless incidents prove the truthfulness of the advent of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as).









In light of these events, the Promised Messiah (as) has written:

"Be righteous, therefore, and fear God that you may be saved. Fear God today so that you may remain safe from the fear of that Day. It is inevitable for heaven to show some sign for the earth to do likewise. But those who fear God shall be saved. God's Word informed me that many calamities would occur, and many disasters would descend on the earth – some during my lifetime and others after I have gone. He will promote and advance this Jama'at to the full. A part of it will happen at my hands and some after me" (19).

Since 1900, these heavenly signs have been manifested time after time in support of the Promised Messiah (as). The Will of God cannot be halted. The Promised Messiah (as) instructed that we should not forget the purpose of our creation (to worship the Lord) due to our immersion in worldly, materialistic pursuits. If we are enabled to comprehend and to accept that the person who was prophesied to appear for the betterment of humankind has come, we have a golden opportunity to heed his words of warning and be saved from tragic consequences.

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India: Diplomatic storm over BJP staff insult of Prophet Muhammad

A protest was held in Bengaluru, India, on April 30, 2022 to promote communal harmony and denounce Islamophobia in the wake of recent communal violence [Aijaz Rahi/AP]

An international diplomatic storm has engulfed India's ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), the party of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, following the sanctioning of two party spokespersons over insulting remarks the pair are reported to have made towards Prophet Muhammad.

BJP national spokeswoman Nupur Sharma was suspended from the party's primary membership on Sunday for comments made in a recent television debate, while the BJP's Delhi media operation head Naveen Kumar Jindal was also expelled, according to BJP documents and media reports.

Sharma is reported to have insulted the prophet and his wife Aisha in a TV debate last week. Following an outcry over the comments made during the debate, Sharma's colleague Jindal is reported to have posted a now-deleted tweet about the prophet that also angered many.

The remarks have been blamed for clashes in an Indian state and have also prompted demands for the spokeswoman's arrest in India.

India's ambassadors to Kuwait and Qatar were summoned on Sunday to receive official notes of protest over the comments, and Pakistan's ministry of foreign affairs issued a statement condemning the "highly derogatory remarks" and the BJP's response.

"These totally unacceptable remarks have not only deeply hurt the sentiments of the people of Pakistan but of billions of Muslims around the world," the foreign ministry said in a statement.

"BJP's attempted clarification and belated and perfunctory disciplinary action against these individuals cannot assuage the pain and anguish they have caused to the Muslim world," the ministry said.

Qatar's Ministry of Foreign Affairs summoned the Indian ambassador to present an official note "expressing the disappointment of the State of Qatar and its total rejection and condemnation to the controversial remarks", the QNA state news agency reported.

While welcoming the BJP statement and suspension of staff, Qatar is expecting a public apology and condemnation of the remarks by the government of India. "The State of Qatar calls on the Indian government to immediately condemn these remarks and publicly apologise to all Muslims around the world," Foreign Ministry spokesperson Majed Mohammed Al Ansari said. Kuwait also summoned the Indian ambassador and said it had handed the ambassador a protest note in which Kuwait rejected and denounced the statements made by the BJP official, Reuters reported.

The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation – the second-largest intergovernmental organisation in the world after the United Nations, with a collective population reaching over 1.8 billion – also added its voice to the condemnation.

"The General Secretariat of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation expresses its strong condemnation and denunciation of the recent insults issued by an official in the ruling party in India towards the Prophet Muhammad, Peace Be Upon Him," the 57-member state organisation said in a statement.

Saudi Arabia condemned the remarks, describing the spokesperson's comments as "insulting" and calling for "respect for beliefs and religions", according to a foreign ministry statement.

'International price to pay'

Delhi-based journalist Saba Naqvi told Al Jazeera that the BJP had previously benefitted politically from "mobilisation" against Muslims in India.

"But in this instance, there has been an international price to pay," Nagvi said.

"India has one of the world's largest Muslim populations, so it has come to the notice of the world that this is happening," she said.

In a statement on Sunday, the BJP said it respects all religions and "strongly denounces insult of any religious personalities of any religion".

"The Bharatiya Janata Party is also strongly against any ideology which insults or demeans any sect or religion. The BJP does not promote such people or philosophy," the party said.

"India's Constitution gives right to every citizen to practice any religion of his/her choice and to honour and respect every religion".

The statement did not directly reference the insulting remarks or the sanctioning of the two party officials.

The controversy has raised the ire of social media users in Arab countries who have called for a boycott of Indian products, denounced the escalation of hatred against Islam and Muslims, and accused India of following in the footsteps of France and China in promoting Islamophobia. In April, the US Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) urged the US Department of State for the third straight year to place India on a list of "countries of particular concern" in terms of religious freedom.

The independent bipartisan panel accused India of "engaging in and tolerating systematic, ongoing, and egregious violations of religious freedom".

"During the year, the Indian government escalated its promotion and enforcement of policies—including those promoting a Hindu-nationalist agenda—that negatively affect Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Dalits, and other religious minorities," the commission said in its annual report (PDF).

In its statement, Pakistan's foreign ministry said it was "also deeply concerned at the alarming rise in communal violence and hatred directed against the Muslims in India". Pakistan's former Prime Minister Imran Khan also weighed in on the controversy, accusing the Modi government of being "allowed to get away with its Islamophobic policies". Qatar's Assistant Foreign Minister Lolwah al-Khater also said that "Islamophobic discourse" has reached "dangerous levels" in India – a country well known for its "diversity and coexistence". Hate speech against Muslims in India needs to be officially confronted, al-Khater said.

In a tweet on Sunday, the BJP's suspended spokeswoman Sharma responded to the controversy saying that she had said things in response to comments made about a Hindu god but it was never an "intention to hurt anyone's religious feelings", and that she wanted to "unconditionally withdraw my statement".

In a subsequent tweet, Sharma said that a "security threat" had been made against her family.

Reuters news agency reported that Jindal, her colleague who was expelled by the party, said on Twitter that he had questioned some comments made against Hindu gods: "I only questioned them but that does not mean I am against any religion".

SOURCE: AL JAZEERA AND NEWS AGENCIES



Questions & Answers

What is the Distinct Quality of the Promised Messiah (as)?

The fact that Divine warnings can be averted through repentance, seeking forgiveness and giving of alms is something which no religion or sect denies. All Prophets are unanimous in their belief that genuine remorse, prayers and charity can ward off It is, therefore, quite calamities. obvious that when God intends to chastise someone and informs Prophet beforehand of the impending punishment, this is then called a prophecy of warning. When a Prophet is not informed beforehand of an impending punishment, then that chastisement will be considered a hidden decree of God (1).

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CA – Los Angeles (Chino) - (Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque)

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CA – Los Angeles (Hawthorne) - (Bait-us-Salaam Mosque)

13221 Prairie Ave, Hawthorne, CA 90250-6107

CA – Los Angeles (Pico Rivera) - (Ahmadiyya Mosque)

7419 Passons Ave, Pico Rivera, CA 90250-6107

CA – Silicon Valley - (Bait-ul-Baseer Mosque)

926 Evans Rd, Milpitas, CA 95035-3409

CT – Hartford - (Bait-ul-Aman Mosque)

410 Main St, Meriden, CT 06451-5090

DC - Washington - (Fazl Mosque)

2141 Leroy Pl NW, Washington, DC 20008-1848

FL - Miami - (Bait-un-Naseer Mosque)

208 NW 7th Ct, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009-2323

FL – Orlando - (Bait-ul-Aafiyat Mosque)

9501 Satellite Blvd Ste 103, Orlando, FL 32837-8445

GA - Atlanta - (Bait-ul-Ata Mosque)

1800 Willow Trail Pkwy NW, Norcross, GA 30093-2668

HI - Honolulu - (Mosque/Community Center)

650 Kohou St Ste 1B, Honolulu, HI 96817-4422

IL - Chicago - (As-Sadig Mosque)

4448 S Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60653-3121

IL - Chicago - (Bait-ul-Jaami Mosque)

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2105 Gabriel Ave, Zion, IL 60099-2220

KS - Kansas - (Mosque/Center)

11648 W 135th St, Overland Park, KS 66221-2837

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2113 38th St, Kenner, LA 70065-3509

MA - Boston - (Bait-un-Nasir)

4 Nasir Ahmad Rd, Sharon, MA 02067-1164

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370 Main St, Fitchburg, MA 01420-8007

MD - Baltimore - (Bait-us-Samad Mosque),

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MD – National Headquarter - (Baitur Rahman Mosque)

15000 Good Hope Rd, Silver Spring, MD 20905-4120

MI - Detroit - (Bait-ul-Muzaffar Mosque - to be rebuilt),

8218 Wyoming Ave, Detroit, MI 48204-3114

MI – Detroit - (Masjid Mahmood)

1730 W Auburn Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48309-3856

MN - St. Paul, MN (Nusrat Mosque)

11450 Robinson Dr, Coon Rapids, MN 55433-3745

MO - St. Louis - (Bait-ul-Hafeez Mosque)

4529 Emerson Ave, Saint Louis, MO 63120-2237

NC - Cary - (Mosque/Center)

830 Old Apex, Cary, NC 27513-4235

NC - Charlotte - (Mosque Charlotte)

5314 Mt Holly Huntervile Rd, Charlotte, NC 28216-8801

NJ – Central Jersey - (Bait-ul-Hadi Mosque)

27 South St, Old Bridge, NJ 08857-2951

NJ - Northern New Jersey - (Bait-ul-Wahid Mosque)

131 Wagaraw Rd, Hawthorne, NJ 07506-2711

NJ – Willingboro - (Al-Nasir Mosque)

500 Bridge St, Willingboro, NJ 08046-3741





Yousuf Mosque - Tucson AZ



Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque - Chino CA



Ahmadiyya Mosque - Pico Rivera LA



Bait-ul-Aman Mosque - Hartford CT

NV - Las Vegas - (Bait-ut-Tauheed Mosque)

6574 W Cheyenne Ave, Las Vagas, NV 89108-4929

NY - Albany - (Bait-un-Nur Mosque)

941 River Rd, Schenectady, NY 12306-6526

NY - Buffalo - (Mahdi Mosque)

9610 Colvin Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304-2812

NY - Binghamton - (Bait-ul-Hamd Mosque)

10 Sheedy Rd, Vestal, NY 13850-5902

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NY - Brooklyn - (Bait-ut-Tahir Mosque)

1477 W 8th St, Brooklyn, NY 11204-6402

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64 Union Ave, Amityville, NY 11701-3024

NY - Queens - (Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque)

188-15 Mclaughlin Ave, Hollis, NY 11423-1137

NY - Rochester - (Bait-un-Naseer Mosque)

1609 East Main St, Rochester, NY 14609-7009

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6650 Old Collamer Rd, East Syracuse, NY 13057-1214

OH - Cleveland - (Bait-ul-Ahad Mosques)

297 Center Rd, Bedford, OH 44146-2251

OH - Columbus - (Bait-un-Nasir Mosque)

3360 Toy Rd, Groveport, OH 43125-9430

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637 Randolph St, Dayton, OH 45417-3203

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245 Division St, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1262

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PA - Pittsburgh - (Al-Noor Mosque)

747 South Ave, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221-2939

PA - York - (Ahmadiyya Mosque)

7063 Wertzville Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-1543

TN - Alabama/Tennessee - (Mahmood Mosque)

101 Maple St, Smyrna, TN 37167-2631

TX - Austin - (Bait-ul-Muqeet Mosque)

800 Deepwood Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681-5628

TX - Dallas - (Bait-ul-Ikram Mosque)

1850 Hedgcoxe Rd, Allen, TX 75013-3083

TX - Fort Worth - (Baitul Qayyum)

2801 Miller Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76105-4134

TX - Houston - (Bait-us-Samee Mosque)

1333 Spears Rd, Houston, TX 77067-1507

VA – Central Virginia - (Mubarak Mosque)

4555 Ahmadiyya Dr, Chantilly, VA 20151-3393

VA - Richmond - (Anwaar Mosque)

2617 Turner Rd, Richmond, VA 23224-2539

VA – Woodbridge - (Masroor Mosque)

5640 Hoadly Rd, Manassas, VA 20112-3408

WA - Seattle - (Bait-ul-Ehsan Mosque)

23515 Old Owen Rd, Monroe, WA 98272-7636

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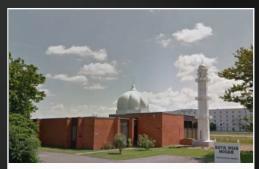
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Bait-ul-Hamd Mosque - Binghamton NY



Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque - Queens NY



Bait-ul-Ihsan Mosque – Syracuse NY



Bait-ul-Ahad Mosque - Cleveland OH



Bait-un-Nasir Mosque - Columbus OH



On December 1st, 1888, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, published an announcement that God had ordained him that whomsoever sought true faith and piety, should pledge allegiance to him so that Allah may shower His mercy and beneficence on them.

- 1 That till the last day of his life, he shall abstain from *shirk* (associating any partners with Allah).
- 2 That he shall keep away from falsehood, cruelty, adultery, dishonesty, disorder, rebellion and every kind of evil.
- That he shall offer prayers (Salat) five times daily.
- 4 That he shall not inflict injury on any of Allah's creatures.
- 5 That he shall bear every hardship for the sake of Allah.
- 6 That he shall not follow vulgar customs, and shall guard against evil inclinations.
- 7 That he shall discard pride and haughtiness, live in humility & meekness
- 8 That he shall hold his faith, dignity, and the welfare of Islam dearer than his own life, wealth and children.
- 9 That he shall have sympathy for all of God's creatures, and devote his talents to their welfare.
- 10 That he shall establish brotherhood with him (i.e., Ahmad), obeying him in all good things, and firmly adhere to these rules until the last breath of his life.

The list provided here gives an abbreviated version of the ten conditions of the Bai'at. Please see the full text of the ten conditions of Bai'at at: https://www.alislam.org/articles/conditions-initiation-baiat/

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